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MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE PACIFIC, HELD IN THE ASSEMBLY HALL OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF SAN FRANCISCO ON MARCH 26, 1910.

President W. W. CAMPBELL in the chair. By consent, the minutes of the preceding meeting were not read. The President called for Reports of Committees.

In the absence of Dr. S. D. Townley, Chairman of the Committee on the Donohoe Comet-Medal Awards for the year 1909, the report of that committee was read by the Secretary, as follows:—

REPORT OF THE DONOHOE COMET-MEDAL COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 1909.

The following comets were discovered during the year 1909:-

Comet a 1909, an unexpected comet, discovered independently by M. A. Borrelly, at Marseilles, on June 14, 1909, and by Mr. Zaccheus Daniel, at Princeton, on June 15, 1909. (It was Mr. Daniel's notice of discovery, with observed position, which was first communicated to the astronomers of this and other countries by telegraph and cable.)

Comet b 1909, Perrine's periodic comet, detected on its return by Dr. A. KOPFF, at Heidelberg, on August 12, 1909.

Comet c 1909, Halley's periodic comet, detected (photographically) on its return by Professor Max Wolf, at Heidelberg, on September 11, 1909.

Comet d 1909, Winnecke's periodic comet, detected on its return by Professor F. Porro, at La Plata, on October 31, 1909.

Comet e 1909, an unexpected comet, discovered by Mr. ZACCHEUS DANIEL, at Princeton, on December 6, 1909.

The Donohoe Comet-Medal of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific has been awarded to the two discoverers of Comet a, and to the discoverer of Comet e.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. CAMPBELL,
SIDNEY D. TOWNLEY,
HEBER D. CURTIS,

Committee.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., March 19, 1910.

Mr. Fremont Morse, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, reported that the accounts of the Treasurer for the preceding year had been examined and found correct.

Mr. J. D. Galloway, Chairman of the Committee on Nominations, reported the following names for Directors and Committee on Publication, to serve during the ensuing year:—

For Directors: R. G. Aitken, Chas. Burckhalter, W. W. Campbell, A. O. Leuschner, Wm. H. Crocker, Chas. S. Cushing, J. D. Galloway, Geo. E. Hale, E. J. Molera, Fremont Morse, D. S. Richardson.

For Committee on Publication: Sidney D. Townley, James D. Maddrill, Heber D. Curtis.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Cornish and Baird as tellers, and ballots were distributed, to be taken up and counted later in the evening.

The scientific programme of the evening commenced with a few remarks from the retiring President, Dr. W. W. CAMPBELL, calling

attention to the fact that this was the twenty-first annual meeting of the Society. He then proceeded to deliver a most exhaustive address on "A Study of Spectroscopic Binary Stars," which was illustrated with lantern slides and carefully followed by an interested audience.

Astronomer R. G. AITKEN followed Dr. CAMPBELL in an address on "A Review of the Recent Observations of Mars," also illustrated and well received.

At the close of the addresses the ballots were counted and the results announced showed that the members above named had been elected to their respective places on the Board of Directors and the Committee on Publication.

Adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NEWLY ELECTED BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE PACIFIC, IN THE ASSEMBLY HALL OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., ON THE EVENING OF MARCH 26, 1910.

The Board proceeded to organize by electing the following officers:— President: Fremont Morse.

First Vice-President: George E. Hale.

Second Vice-President: J. D. Galloway.

Third Vice-President: R. G. AITKEN.

Secretary and Treasurer: D. S. RICHARDSON.

Secretary on Mount Hamilton: R. G. AITKEN.

The following were elected members of the Library Committee: R. T. Crawford, S. D. Townley, D. S. Richardson.

It was moved, seconded, and carried that the interest from the Life Membership, John Dolbeer, and William Alvord funds for the year 1910 be turned into the General Fund and applied toward the cost of printing *Publications*.

On motion of Mr. Cushing, duly seconded and carried, the Chairman of the Committee on Publication was instructed to confer with the Chairman of the Finance Committee concerning amounts which may be expended on Publications during the ensuing year.

Adjourned.